

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Currently Amended) A cutter comprising a Ni-Cr alloy comprising: ~~containing~~  
from 32 to 44 mass percent of Cr,  
from 2.3 to 6 mass percent of Al,  
the balance being Ni, impurities, and additional trace elements, ~~elements~~ and  
wherein the cutter has ~~having~~ a Rockwell C hardness of 52 or more, and  
wherein the Ni-Cr alloy further comprises:  
greater than zero and less than or equal to 0.025 mass percent of Mg;  
greater than zero and less than or equal to 0.02 mass percent of Ca;  
greater than zero and less than or equal to 0.03 mass percent of B; and  
greater than zero and less than or equal to 0.02 mass percent of rare earth  
elements including Y; as the impurities and the additional trace elements, and  
wherein the total content of Mg, Ca, and B is greater than zero and less than or equal  
to 0.03 mass percent, and  
when the total content of Mg, Ca, and B is 0.015 mass percent or more, the  
total content of P, O, and S is greater than zero and less than or equal to 0.003 mass percent  
and the total content of Mn, Cu and Si is greater than zero and less than or equal to 0.03 mass  
percent.

7. (Currently Amended) The cutter according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ 6, wherein the Ni-Cr alloy comprises a texture comprising a mixture of a Cr-rich  $\alpha$  phase, a Ni-rich phase  $\gamma$  phase, and an intermetallic compound phase composed of  $\text{Ni}_3\text{Al}$  as ~~[[the]]~~ a basic composition  $\gamma'$  phase.

8. (Currently Amended) The cutter according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ 6, wherein the Ni-Cr alloy has an average grain size of 1 mm or less.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Cancelled)